PUBLIC (FIRE SERVICES) (195/48) Departme

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G.O. No. 1011

Dated 29-4-48

[Despatch Abstract.]

Madras Fire Service - Legislative Assembly Question No.60 - Star
retrenchment and qualification of officers promoted papers - Rec

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EXTRACT FROM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY PROCEEDINGS -3-8-46

Retrenchment in the Fire Services.

*50(60)Q:-SRI N.S.VARADACHARI: Will the Hon.the Prime Ministe be pleased to state--

(a)whether any further retrenchment in the Fire Services is contemplated; and

(b)whether it is a fact that persons with no qualifications have been promoted to officers' ranks in the services while many with qualifications have been reduced to lower ranks?

THE HON. SRI T.PRAKASAM:-"(a)The war-time strength of crews required also for fire appliances and ambulances intended for transfer to new mufassal sections which are yet to be opened in certain mufassal municipal towns is being maintained now. The Government have decided to postpone the construction of permanent fire stations, static water tanks, etc., to next year. It is however proposed to open ~~tanks,-etc to next~~ ¥ 20 new temporary fire stations in mufassal towns this year either by constructing temporary fire stations or by renting accommodation and to utilise the excess appliances and trained crews available for transfer.

"(b)No qualifications as such have yet been prescribed for appointment to any of the posts in the Fire Services as the appointments to ~~any of the posts in the Fire~~ were made in war time. It is however reported that as suitable candidates were not available, two driver mechanics were promoted as Engineer Sub-officers in the Fire Services Regional Workshops. There has been no reduction of any qualified men to lower ranks during the last six months".

N.MUHAMMAD ANWAR SAHIB:BAHADUR:- "On a point of information, Sir. The answrs are read out and are not audible to many sections of the House. May I suggest, therefore, Sir, that the answrs are printed and circulated to members beforehand".

MR.SPEAKER:"These are oral answers and hence they are being read out".

M.MUHAMMAD ISMAIL SAHIB BAHADUR:- "Mr.Speaker, I myself wanted to raise the question. Will it not be possible for the Hon. Minister to supply copies of written answers as far as possible".

MR.SPEAKER:-"In the first place these are called oral answers and to conform to it, the present practice is followed. Hon.Members may be aware that under the Montford Reforms answers were printed and circulated to members beforehand but under the present system, during the time of my predecessor, answers were being given orally. I am following this as being in consonance with the procedure obtaining in the British Houses of Parliament where answers are only given orally. If hon.Members have not heard the answers properly, I will request the Prime Minister to kindly repeat the answrs".

M.MUHAMMAD ISMAIL SAHIB BAHADUR:- "Mr.Speaker, the old method seems to be more desirable and that is why I modified my request that printed answers may be supplied as far as possible".

THE HON.SRI T.PRAKASAM repeated the answer to starred question No.50.

SRI P.VENKATESWARLU: "Will the Hon.The Prime Minister be prepared to extend the Fire Services to Taluk head-quarters so as to avoid fire accidents in villages?"

THE HON.SRI T.PRAKASAM:-"The Fire Services would be stationed in such places as could give the required amount of service".

SRI KALAVENKATA RAO:-"the Hon.Member asked whether by locating the fire services at taluk headquarters fire accidents in the villages would be avoided. At best such a location will only help to put down the fire and not avoid it altogether".

THE HON SRI T PRAKASAM :- the question put by Sri. Venkateswarly

and the answer to it by Sri Kala Venkatarao I throught, were as between themselves".

SIR N.S.VARADACHARI:- "Do the Government consider that this is an essential service".

THE HON SRI T.PARKASAM:- "I think it is an essential service. As the service is essential, we should give it protection".

SRI N.S.VARADACHARI:- "In that case, have the Government considered the desirability of preseribing qualifications for officers' posts in that service".

THE HON.SRI T.PRAKASAM:- "I request the hon.member to explain further what he has in his mind".

SRI N.S.VARADACHARI:- "I asked, Sir, whether Government do not consider it necessary to prescribe qualifications for officers' posts, essential qualifications not being mechanical skill but presence of mind, eelerity and diligence".

THE HON.SRI.T.PRAKASAM:- "To serve fire service is not an easy matter. They have rendered service where they require the exercise of qualifications like strength of mind, daring and courage, presence of mind and not merely educational qualifications. Only these would be best fitted to render fire service whether they have other qualifications or not".

SRI N.S.VARADACHARI:- "Will the Government call for detailed information regarding the qualifications possessed by those at present occupying officers' jobs in the service?"

THE HON. SRI T.PRAKASAM:- "Yes".

SRI P.KANDASWAMI PILLAI: "Is there any training centre not only for the officers of the Fire Services but also for the other employees of the department? If so, what are the qualifications and on what grounds they are enlisted in the Department".

THE HON.SRI T.PRAKASAM:- "Notice".

DR.S.SUBRAHMANYA AYYAR:- "Is it a fact, Sir, that fire engines were rushed to Karur from Madras during the recent fire?"

THE HON.SRI T.PRAKASAM:- "Notice".

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Public (Fire Services) Department.

Please see the memo to the Director of Fire Services at page 25 c.f. and his reply to it at page 31-34 c.f. The detailed information furnished in this and the previous letter of Director of Fire Service at page 17-24 c.f. was obtained with reference to the assurance given by the Hon'ble Prime Minister at A on page 1~~4c.f.2~~ on the floor of the Legislative Assembly. The file may now be circulated to Hon'ble Prime Minister for orders as to which of the following three courses may be followed:-

(1) whether a further question from Sri N.S.Varadachari, Madras Legislative Assembly may be awaited for supplying the information on page 19-24 and 33-34 c.f.~~member through a letter; or~~

(2) Whether the information may be communicated to the member through a letter; or

(3) Whether the information may be placed on the table of the House

The Hon'ble the Premier may see also para 2 of the previous note on page 3-4- ante.

A further question from Sri N.S.Varadachari may be awaited.

Sd... 26-2-47

Hon'ble Premier Minister.
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17-3-47.

Public(F.S)Department.

(Please see the previous note and orders in circulation above.) Sri N.S.Varadachari has not, so far, given any notice of further question on the subject. It seems unnecessary to keep this file open any longer. The papers may be Recorded in a MS. G.O. for facility of reference in the future.

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Elections- Election Court, Bellary- Payment of sitting fees to Sri Sri P.Punnia., Commissioner- Sanctioned.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
Abstract

ELECTIONS- Election Court, Bellary- Payment of sitting fees to Sri. P.Punniah, Commissioner- Sanctioned

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Public (Elections) Department

G.O. Ms. No.1016 dated 29-4-1948.
Read the following:-

G.O. No. 1879 Public (Elections) dated 17-6-47
Letter from Sri P.Punniah B.A.,B.L., Advocate, Nellore dated 1-3-1948.

O r d e r

His Excellency the Governor sanctions the payment of fees to Sri P.Punniah Election Commissioner for three days viz., 16th, 17th, and 18th December 1947 the days the Commissione was due to sit. The fee for 15th December 1947 already drawn by him should be deducted from the fees now sanctioned.

(By Order of His Excellency the Governor)

To
Sri P.Punniah, B.A.,B.L., Advocate Nellore.
The President, Election Commission (Mr. W.W.Georgeson Dt. Judge, West Tanjore, Tanjore)
The Registrar , Election Court, Madras Legislature Secretriate.
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